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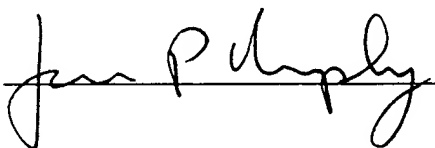
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Attorney Docket No. 12152US01)

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In The Application Of: )  
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William P. Davis )  
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Serial No.: 09/640,197 )  
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Filed: August 16, 2000 )  
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For: Fire-Safe Electronic Data Storage )  
Protection Device )  
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Examiner: James Orville Hansen )  
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Group Art Unit: 3636 )

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby responds to the first, non-final Office Action in the above-entitled application, mailed November 17, 2001. Also, filed concurrently herewith is a Declaration Under 37 C.F.R § 1.131(b).

Please amend the Application as follows:

In The Claims

Please amend Claims 1 and 10 as follows:

1. (Amended) A data protection device comprising:  
  
an enclosure having [have] at least one wall and a closeable opening, said enclosure capable of protecting contents from environmental hazard;